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THROUGH PLAGUE AND TYPHOON.

MR. J. KERR, A.S.P., RETIRES.

Thirty-six years' residence in any part of the globe, even with a stable community, would of necessity entail the witnessing of many changes, but to few places would this apply with such force as to Hongkong where the development has been so comparatively quick and remarkable.

Mr. J. Kerr, Assistant Superintendent of Police, who retires at the end of this month with that amount of service here to his credit, will leave a very different Hongkong and Kowloon behind him than those in which he first set foot in 1889 when he arrived as a member of the Hongkong Police Force.

This naturally applies to Kowloon more particularly, which for some time after Mr. Kerr arrived, was practically all hills with a road as far as Austin Road. From here to any other spot in that direction one had to clamber over rocks and boulders. Kimberly Road led one then to the water-front only. The New Territories were not then ceded, and Mr. Kerr remembers the bamboo border fence stretching from Kowloon City to Shamshuipo with Chinese "braves" on the other side attired in picturesque garb, their coats bearing Chinese characters. Their duties were connected with the Customs. The main ferry ran in those days from a point somewhere in the neighbourhood of the new main office buildings of the Wharf and Godown Company and there being no Salisbury Road in those days, those boulders extended about as far as the now railway station.

One of Mr. Kerr's earliest and most trying experience was connected with the first outbreak of plague in Hongkong when deaths were taking place at the rate of 112 a day with some 3,000 in all. Public servants, the military and civilians combined in combating this terrible scourge and times were doubly trying for the police, for there was a certain amount of unrest. The plague was so virulent in its deadly effects that numbers were dying almost immediately on admittance to hospitals and ignorance and superstition associated this with foreign "devilry," the use of ice to bring down the temperatures of those affected being cited and there being much talk of open rebellion and violence. Tung Wah hospital officials were, in fact, mobbed.

Mr. Kerr has still in his possession a medal awarded for services at this time. On one side of it are a patient on a stretcher, a nurse and doctor warding off the angel of death, a bucket of white-wash and brush and on the other side are Queen Victoria's head and an inscription. The whitewashing reference is to the method of stamping out the disease—the burning of all belongings of infected persons and the whitewashing of their premises.

Work of superintendence in connection with the removal of the dead in the typhoons of 1900 and 1905 also fell to Mr. Kerr's lot. The typhoon of 1900 was on November 10, the latest in the year one is known to have taken place here, and many craft were caught. The havoc wrought in that of 1906 was terrible, some 10,000 people, it is thought, having lost their lives inside of two hours.

Mr. Kerr's rise in the force has been steady; his appointment as Sergeant was in 1889, 3rd class Inspector in 1903, 2nd class in 1906 and 1st class in 1910. In 1915 Mr. Kerr was appointed Chief Inspector, and in 1922 he was appointed to the rank at which he is retiring.

Many years of active life should await Mr. Kerr who by no stretch of the word could be termed old although "old" in the service of Hongkong. He intends settling down in Australia, his home with Mrs. Kerr and his son. He has always been a "home bird," he confessed to a "China Mail" representative, and he was looking forward to enjoying the "home life" and some of the pleasures of the "old world."

PRATAS TRAGEDY.

FAILURE OF ISOLATION EFFORTS.

WATER DISTILLATION.

From further advices regarding the tragedy enacted on Pratas shoal, when over sixty Ningpo Chinese engaged on the construction of the wireless station were carried off by a terrible scourge of beri-beri and others, conveyed to hospital at Amoy it is evident that although there is no natural drinking water on the island there was a condensing plant and no difficulty should have been experienced in obtaining pure water.

It would appear that a Chinese Government representative made a visit last month when two cases of the disease were reported. The contractors at Shanghai who by their contract are regarded as liable for maintenance of communication with the mainland and medical attention, were advised that the employees should be taken off, the building construction now having been completed and the installation of the instruments being the only work outstanding.

In the meantime efforts were made to isolate the two cases until they could be removed but the spreading of the disease is said to have been caused through the disinclination of the two in question to separation from their fellows. Repeated efforts were made by the contractors to get into communication with Pratas but the rough weather made it impossible for the boats they sent to land. It was then that the Revenue cruiser put out from Amoy and achieved its object after a very rough trip.

THE WRONG MAN.

NAVAL MAN CATCHES THIEF.

THREE MONTHS' JAIL.

A Chinese was charged, before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning with the theft of \$2 from H. Lesser, seaman of the U.S.S. "Helena," at Queen's Road Central on Saturday evening. The complainant stated in evidence that he was walking near the Queen's Theatre in company with two shipmates when the defendant bumped into him and ran away with two dollar notes he had in the jacket pocket. He gave chase and caught the man, who threw the money on the road.

Mr. H. A. P. Melk, chief officer on a local boat, corroborated a part of the complainant's evidence.

In spite of defendant's protest that he was innocent and a victim of mistaken identity, the Magistrate held him guilty and sentenced him to three months' hard labour.

STREET ACCIDENTS.

COLLISIONS AND MINOR MISAPES.

The week-end was attended with a series of traffic accidents, but in three instances the injuries to pedestrians were not serious except in the case of a Chinese merchant who was taken to hospital after he was knocked down by a motor car at Matheson Street. The vehicle, it was alleged by the injured man, drove away without stopping at the accident.

On Saturday afternoon two motor cars collided at Queen's Road East, one of them sustaining damage to the mudguard.

In swerving to avoid a boy who was standing near the Wanchoi market, a motor car ran into the wall of the market and smashed one of the front wheels besides other damage.

HAWKER'S END.

HACKED HIMSELF TO DEATH.

A Chinese immigrant, having living at Sun Hing Lane, in the western district, committed suicide during the week-end by hacking himself to death.

The man in question, who was a hawker, was found by his wife in a state of decomposition.

WAR IN SOUTH.

HEAVY CASUALTIES REPORTED.

ANTI-REDS RETREATING.

"News from the front" regarding the Southern war in Kwangtung province is contained in the following letter from the "China Mail" Peking (Kongmoon) correspondent, delivered late on Saturday afternoon, giving the events from day to day.

October 28.—Fighting has broken out at Tsan Shui Hau, near Kungyick. General Tang Puh-yun (General Chan Kwang-ming's subordinate in the south) captured Paksha. Trains on the Sunning Railway have stopped running.

October 29.—Over 3,000 Hunanese mercenaries, under Tan Yin-hoi, have arrived to reinforce the Red Garrison. They proceeded immediately to Tsan Shui-hau. All tow-boats have been commandeered and communication with Kongmoon is entirely severed.

October 30.—Because of shortage of ammunition and a threat to his rear at Hakshan, Red troops from the West River, General Tang has retreated to Yanking. Another "chameleon" general, in Leung Hung-lam, has joined General Tang with Commander Li Yat-nok and others.

October 31.—Rocks (other reports state mines) have been placed in the waters of Kongmoon from Ngolko, Sam-kong-hau and Fagrot Beak Channel. The only chance is from Lin Fa Hill, via Canton. A military censorship is in force.

Fighting continues with heavy casualties to both sides. Although they lost over 1,000 men the Reds continue to push forward and the anti-Reds are falling back.

The local Red authorities have insisted on a contribution of one month's rent, half to be paid by owners and the other half by tenants.

Recently the native banks and pawnshops closed their doors as a protest against a "loan" of \$300 from each firm, demanded by the Reds. They have now resumed business.

The three Canton gunboats, each with two funnels, "Kong Tai," "Kong King" and "Kong Koo," are here, commanded by Russian officers.

At Ngai Wan the railway position has been built as a boom to block the entrance to Kungyick.

Anti-Red pickets have been ordered by the Reds to mobilise for the southern front.

Shanghai papers state that the anti-Reds have been vied by the anti-Reds on the approach of Canton forces.

EXPORTING MONEY.

SAMARANG VISITOR'S IGNORANCE.

A \$50 FINE.

A well-dressed Chinese woman, the wife of a Samarang merchant, was the defendant before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning on a charge of attempting to take with her to Macao a sum of \$500.

The defendant admitted the offence, but claimed to be quite ignorant of the regulations.

A fine of \$50 was imposed, the sum to be paid to the Samarang money agent.

SQUEEZE & SQUEAK.

HUMAN MISERABLE.

Giving evidence in a case of theft before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning, a constable stated in evidence that he represented a bundle and heard a squeaking voice, the owner of which he found out later was a box of shoes wrapped in a handkerchief.

The man in question, who was a hawker, was found by his wife in a state of decomposition.

TRADE LOAN.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE COMMITTEE.

THE CHINESE VIEWPOINT.

Gentlemen, I offer no apology for addressing you anonymously through the medium of the Press, on the subject of the Trade Loan, for this subject vitally concerns the public, and I feel that you will be interested to hear about it.

Now, what was the financial situation of the Colony prior to the announcement of the loan? It is, I think, no exaggeration to say that it was grave. The Banks—doubtless for good reasons, which I do not profess to know—refused to lend one money, irrespective of the amount or quality of the securities offered. Creditors were pressing debtors for repayment. The vitality of credit was gone. Cash appeared to have completely vanished from the market.

The Chinese were driven to appeal to the Government for assistance. A Chinese Delegation, headed by the Chinese members on the Legislative Council, waited on the Government, and the whole outlook was exhaustively and impressively stated by their spokesman. Thanks to his masterly presentation of the case, and to the sympathy of Sir Edward Stubbs, the Government was, within the space of only a few days, able to announce that the Home Government would at once place at the disposal of the Colonial Government a sum not exceeding \$3,000,000, which was the figure suggested by the Chinese Delegation.

The effect of this announcement was marvellous and instantaneous. The whole tone of the financial situation at once improved. Faith in the Colony immediately revived. All hoped that with \$3,000,000 available to be lent on good securities, of which there were ample, the nightmare of enforced sales and wholesale insolvencies would exist no more. Surely the money would be forthcoming within one week? Two weeks? Three weeks? One month?

Then as the weeks passed and still not one dollar came out from the loan to relieve the financial position, people began to get uneasy, anxious and even impetuous. As usual, rumour succeeded rumour. The Government would lend only to finance business; not to ward off depreciation and ruinous sales. In any case, the ridiculous margins demanded by the Government would render the loan commercially useless. Indeed, it was the money really available at all?

And so, as the rumours increased, the situation gradually drifted back to the old days of despondency and financial stagnation.

Gentlemen, believe me, every one appreciates that the task imposed upon you is staggering in its difficulty, and that the Government could not have found a body of men more qualified than yourselves to discharge this high responsibility. I do not therefore presume to offer you any advice. But I hope it is not presumptuous on my part if I were to give utterance to what I believe to be the views generally held in the Colony concerning this matter.

I take it that the fundamental defect of the Loan is in the words of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the restoration of the financial credit of Hongkong, the grant of aid to the Government could not have found a body of men more qualified than yourselves to discharge this high responsibility. I do not therefore presume to offer you any advice. But I hope it is not presumptuous on my part if I were to give utterance to what I believe to be the views generally held in the Colony concerning this matter.

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UNRULY CONDUCT.

AMERICAN SEAMAN FINED.

NO RECOLLECTION PLEA.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy this morning, an American seaman, alias "Sammie," was charged on two counts of disorderly conduct and breaking the cell at No. 2 Police Station.

Detective Sergeant O'Donovan stated that the Police visited Tai Yuen Street at 7 p.m. yesterday following a report received that the defendant was creating a disturbance. Defendant was arrested and placed in the cell, but he broke the lock and came out after also damaging the floor.

Defendant pleaded that he had no recollection of the incidents of last night. He remembered asking a Chinese outside the cell for a drink of water, but this was refused.

An officer from the vessel spoke on behalf of the defendant and gave him a good character.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$5 on each charge, and payment of \$2 to make good the damage done to the cell.

MOST ACTIVE.

STRIKE PICKETS AT SWATOW.

Conditions similar to those obtaining before Swatow was taken by the anti-Reds are prevailing there and pickets are reported to be most active in preventing the landing of foreign cargo.

The s.s. "Hydrangea" will not leave Hongkong again for Swatow just at present.

LORRY ACCIDENT.

Defendant, guilty of a charge of not stopping, after driver of a motor lorry was fined \$25, or one month, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Sergeant Smith said the charge related to an incident on October 23 since when defendant had absconded till his arrest, on Saturday, at Pakhoi Street.

Defendant was returning from On Long. On the Tsun Wan Road at the hill near the new jail at Lai-chikok, the lorry turned over at the roadside and it was presumed that defendant was going very fast. One of the passengers was injured.

or higher return.

In the consideration of each application, I submit the sole test to be applied is—Does the loan tend to maintain or restore credit? If it does, then I appeal to you to treat the application, not in anyiggardly spirit, but with sympathy and even generosity, bearing in mind that the present value of securities can not depreciate much further unless indeed—impossible thought!—Hongkong itself were to go to the dogs.

And above all, Gentlemen, I appeal to you to act quickly. I think it was Lord Reading, who once said that Justice Delayed is Justice Denied. I suggest that this aphorism equally applies to financial assistance. Financial credit, through delay, may be beyond resurrection. I know that the magnitude of your labours has entailed, and will entail, hours and days of hard, dreary work. And yet—well, may I quote from James Legge's "Chinese Classics," in the volume of "The Works of Mencius" (Book III, Part I, Chapter IV)—

"In the time of Yao when the world had not yet been pacified, reduced to order, the waters flowing out of the great channels made a universal inundation. . . . It was the course of the great and good, and they were at the head of the flood. . . . During that time, I was eight years away from my home, and though I was away, I was not away from my duty."

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LOCAL CRICKET.

ANOTHER CENTURY AT KOWLOON.

SEVERAL DRAWN GAMES.

Another century at Kowloon against the home club, the majority of league matches left drawn and a close finish in falling light on the Civil Service ground were the main features of Saturday's cricket.

LEAGUE—Division I.

H.K.C.C. v. EAST SURREYS.

Playing on their own ground in a first division league match, the Hongkong Cricket Club drew with the East Surrey Regiment. Hayward hit a six and six fours and Stewart 10 fours.

The Surrey's started batting soon after 4 p.m. but when stumps were drawn were only 98 for 4, having scored at a rate of about 50 runs an hour. Armstrong and Stripp each got 6 fours.

H.K.C.C. 1st XI.

A. W. Hayward, c Burgess, b Rowe 73
R. E. A. Webster, l.b.w., b Kent 80
E. P. Stewart, c Kent, b Burgess 71
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Kent, b Burgess 3
H. Owen Hughes, not out 9
R. E. H. Oliver, not out 11
Extras 6

Total (4 wks. dec.) 203

R. F. Walker, G. P. Lammert, A. C. I. Bowker, L. P. Ralph and G. R. Vallack did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Carpenter	10	1	46	0
Rowe	9	0	31	1
Burgess	13	2	49	2
Kent	5	0	28	1
Alfrie	4	0	19	0
Clark	3	0	14	0
Petter	2	0	10	0

East Surreys.

Capt. Kent, b Vallack 1
Capt. Armstrong, c Webster, b Walker 32
C.Q.M.S. Stripp, b Bowker 49
Capt. Carpenter, not out 41
Major Rowe, b Bowker 0
Cpl. Petter, not out 0
Extras 5

Total (for 4 wks.) 98

Capt. Alfrie, Lt. Chisdon, Lt. Cpl. Clarke, Pte. Holliday and Pte. Burgess did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bowker	12	5	21	2
Vallack	7	3	15	1
Oliver	3	0	18	0
Walker	6	0	22	1
Owen Hughes	4	0	10	0
Webster	3	0	7	0

KOWLOON v. NAVY.

Battling ninety minutes, Midshipman Stephenson knocked out 162 runs out of a total of 232 (for 7 wickets, declared) against Kowloon Cricket Club 1st XI in a league match. He hit all round the wicket and 108 runs came from boundaries.

At the conclusion of the match, the customary K.C.C. function was gone through, the centurion receiving a presentation bat amid congratulations. Rumour has it that Stephenson broke his own bat last week and had made up his mind to get another from the K.C.C.

The home team got 3 runs and over and played out time with 2 wickets in hand, Ramsey and Major Pollard making a stand. Lt.-Col. Cantrell was the most successful Naval bowler.

Royal Navy.

Lt.-Com. Hunot, c Lyall, b Goodwin 0
Pay-Lt. Hussey, c Pollard, b Lee 2
Mid. Stephenson, b Goodwin 162
Lt. Nicholson, c Watters, b Morris 36
Capt. Lake, c Macaskill, b Morris 36
Lt.-Com. Frank, l.b.w., b Lyall 18
Lt. Waghope, c Jex, b Goodwin 1
Lt.-Col. Cantrell, not out 5
Lt. P. G. Sillitoe, R.M., not out 10
Extras 10

Total (7 wks. dec.) 232

Eng.-Lt. Bennett and Lt. Beatty did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Goodwin	14	0	71	3
Lyall	9	0	59	1
Lee	3	0	17	1
Duncan	2	0	25	0
Morris	5	0	39	2
Ramsey	1	0	13	0

Kowloon C.C.

S. Jex, c Lake, b Cantrell 11
J. C. Lyall, c Nicholson, b Cantrell 19
L. A. E. Duncan, c Beatty, b Cantrell 4
Capt. E. W. Morris, c Lake, b Cantrell 6
A. W. Ramsey, c Frank, b Hunot 40
Major Pollard, b Cantrell 20

Capt. Watters, c Frank, b Beatty 2
F. W. Howell, l.b.w., b Cantrell 0
G. Lee, not out 0
K. R. Macaskill, not out 0
Extras 11

Total (for 8 wks.) 120

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lt.-Col. Cantrell	17	2	41	6
Lt. Beatty	14	5	28	1
Eng.-Lt. Bennett	3	0	17	0
Lt. Sillitoe	3	1	11	0
Lt.-Com. Hunot	8	0	17	1

UNIVERSITY v. R.A.

The University scored an easy victory over the Royal Artillery on their own ground.

The victory was largely due to the fine batting of the Rev. E. K. Quick (43), who was also responsible for the dismissal of three good batsmen on the visiting side at a cost of 23 runs. Shahabudin took five wickets for 25 runs, and Balhatchet two for 15. The only batsman who gave the University bowlers some trouble was Lt.-Col. Edmeades, but he was taken by Balhatchet with a straight ball after he had scored 30.

Royal Artillery.

Capt. Bensley, b Shahabudin 0
Lt. Hall, b Quick 0
Lt. Smith, b Shahabudin 8
Major Hattersley-Smith, b Quick 0
Lt. Henslowe, b Quick 1
Capt. Parks, b Shahabudin 12
Capt. Bennett, b Shahabudin 12
Lt.-Col. Edmeades, b Balhatchet 30
Sgt. Gifford, b Shahabudin 4
M/G. Rough, not out 11
Gr. Clayton, b Balhatchet 6
Extras 4

Total 77

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Shahabudin	9	3	23	5
Rev. Quick	10	4	23	3
Balhatchet	4	1	15	2
Rumjahn	3	0	12	0

University.

A. A. Rumjahn, c Clayton, b Henslowe 12
H. N. Balhatchet, c Bensley, b Clayton 15
B. P. Ng, b Clayton 10
A. S. Hett, c Henslowe 17
Rev. E. K. Quick, c Edmeades, b Gifford 43
D. Laing, c Bensley, b Smith 14
D. K. Samy, c Clayton, b Gifford 13
C. W. Lam, c Hattersley-Smith, b Gifford 11
S. O. Shahabudin, l.b.w., b Clayton 0
W. H. Sling, not out 0
S. Hachiuma, b Gifford 6
Extras 16

Total 157

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rough	3	0	17	0
Henslowe	9	0	38	2
Clayton	10	0	40	3
Gifford	6	1	24	4
Lt. Smith	3	0	22	1

LEAGUE—Division II.

C.S.C.C. "A" v. I.R.C. 2nd.

On the Civil Service C.C. ground, the home "A" team lost to the Indian R.C. 2nd XI in the second league by 2 runs.

The home team's innings finished in falling light and with time for drawing stumps having been reached. Presumably it had been agreed to play to a conclusion.

Poor fielding characterised the match. Edmonds was the most consistent bowler.

The Civil Service were at one time 141 for 7 but lost their last wickets cheaply.

I.R.C. 2nd XI.

M. P. Madar, c & b Ursell 18
I. Hassan, c Patterson, b Booker 10
J. S. Achbar, b Ursell 12
Y. A. Wahab, b Edmonds 26
S. A. R. Ismail, c Carr, b Edmonds 11
A. K. Minu, st. Strange, b Booker 81
A. S. Ismail, c Westlake, b Edmonds 14
R. Nazarin, c Booker, b Edmonds 10
A. S. Suffad, c Strange, b Booker 7
D. A. Razack, not out 0
Extras 13

Total 152

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Edmonds	15	2	48	5
Booker	10	1	36	3
Ursell	4	2	24	2
Westlake	4	1	19	0
Bastin	3	0	19	0
Patterson	2	0	15	0

C.S.C.C. "A"

C. H. Beardsall, b Madar 60
F. E. Booker, b Suffad 10
H. F. Harper, b Westlake, b Wahab 53
B. C. K. Hawking, b Wahab 31
E. A. Bastin, c Achbar, b Wahab 16

W. H. Edmonds, b Suffad 7
H. E. Strange, c Nazarin, b Madar 9
H. F. Westlake, b Suffad 2
W. Ursell, l.b.w., b Madar 1
R. S. W. Patterson, b Suffad 3
T. W. Carr, not out 1
Extras 8

Total 150

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Suffad	7	3	38	4
Achbar	4	0	10	0
Wahab	6	0	39	3
S. A. R. Ismail	2	0	19	0
Madar	5	4	30	3
Minu	2	0	6	0

POLICE v. H.K.C.C. 2nd.

The second eleven of the Hongkong Cricket Club were the guests of the Police Recreation Club, a draw resulting.

The H.K.C.C. were all out for 161 runs. H. S. Gordon was top scorer with 48, which included eight fours, and L. D. McNicoll followed close with 43 not out, which included six boundaries.

The home side had made 126 runs for seven wickets at call of time. Lacey (42) was top scorer, and he hit twice over the screen on to the Civil Service ground.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI.

D. E. G. Nicholson, c Reynolds, b Meadows 22
D. H. F. McMaster, b Lacey 4
T. D. E. Pendered, b Lacey 0
H. S. Gordon, b Robertson 48
H. J. Armstrong, st. Reynolds, b Meadows 1
H. E. Hollands, c Wagland, b Meadows 1
L. D. McNicoll, not out 43
H. Griffin, b Robertson 18
D. E. Feat, b Robertson 8
J. A. H. Plummer, b Robertson 2
R. A. Wadeson, b Lacey 0
Extras 14

Total 161

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lacey	14	3	49	3
Alexander	6	2	6	0
Meadows	8	1	34	3
King	6	1	33	0
Robertson	6	0	25	4

Police R.C.

C. F. Alexander, b Griffin 0
W. E. Meadows, run out 28
E. Sparrow, b Pendered 4
E. Dyer, c McMaster, b Pendered 8
A. Lacey, b Pendered 42
T. H. King, b Feat 5
A. Reynolds, not out 17
J. Robertson, c Gordon, b Pendered 0
P. Condon, not out 10
Extras 12

Total (for 7 wks.) 126

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pendered	10	3	29	4
Griffin	10	3	27	1
Gordon	2	0	14	0
McNicoll	2	0	18	0
Plummer	2	0	19	0
Feat	2	0	7	1

A. Baker and L. Wagland did not bat.

FRIENDLY GAMES.

CHINESE R.C. v. C.S.C.C.

The Civil Service C.C. 1st XI were the guests of the Chinese Recreation Club in a friendly game and won easily by seven wickets.

A strong attack kept down the home team's score and the Civil Service had no difficulty in getting the necessary runs.

Chinese R.C.

Ng Sze-kwong, run out 18
C. Chou, run out 17
W. Hung, l.b.w., b Baker 6
Cheng Kwok-wah, b Evans 9
J. L. Youngs, not out 28
K. L. Chau, c Lawrence, b Evans 2
H. C. Hung, b Evans 8
P. S. Wong, b Evans 0
Lai Kwong-tsun, c Davies, b Baker 5
Tse Tak-on, b Ling 8
C. E. Wong, b Ling 0
Extras 10

Total 104

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ling	10	3	28	2
Hamilton	7	3	15	0
Baker	6	1	13	2
Evans	10	0	30	4
de Rome	8	0	10	0

C.S.C.C.

F. E. Lawrence, c P. Wong, b Youngs 28
A. E. Wood, b C. Wong 42
E. C. Fitcher, not out 27
E. W. Hamilton, c W. Hung, b H. Hung 9
F. Baker, not out 5
Extras 22

Total (for 3 wks.) 138

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
B. D. Evans	1	0	1	0
W. H. Edmonds	1	0	1	0
W. H. Edmonds	1	0	1	0
W. H. Edmonds	1	0	1	0

OBITUARY.

PORTUGUESE CONSUL'S LOSS.

NOTED GENERAL'S DEATH.

The "China Mail" regrets to record the death of General Cerveira de Albuquerque, the aged father of the Consul General for Portugal and doyen of the consular body in Hongkong.

The sad news was received by the Governor of Macao on November 5 in a telegram from Lisbon and by Colonel Magalhães. The telegram was transmitted to Senhor C. de Albuquerque e Castro in Hongkong on the arrival of the Portuguese cruiser "República" from Macao on Saturday.

The late General Albuquerque was Secretary-General to the Minister for the Colonies at the time of his death and had been holding that position during successive Ministries in Portugal to the entire satisfaction of his immediate chiefs and to the nation. He took an active interest in the Portuguese dominions beyond the seas, and in particular the Far Eastern Portuguese colonies, especially since the appointment six years ago of his son, the present Consul-General to Hongkong as the representative of our ally in this Colony where the Portuguese residents are settled in such large numbers and by whom the Consul is held in such high respect and esteem.

The late Secretary-General was 73 years of age at the time of his death. Much sympathy will be felt with the Consul-General and Madame Albuquerque in their sad bereavement.

The flag of the Club Lusitano was flown at half-mast on Saturday as a token of respect.

MRS. M. J. COOPER.

Deep regret has been caused by the death of Mrs. M. J. Cooper, who passed away at her residence, No. 93 Nathan Road, Kowloon, on Saturday, leaving to mourn her loss a husband, Mr. W. J. Cooper, two sons, Mr. William Mason and Mr. Kenneth Mason, and a daughter, Miss Marjorie Mason, all of whom are at present in the Colony.

The late Mrs. Cooper was in her 51st year, and had not been in the best of health for some time. Her death will come as a shock to her many friends. Mrs. Cooper was an old resident of the Colony, having lived in Hongkong and Kowloon for the last 26 years.

MR. W. H. GILL.

The death also took place in Kowloon on Saturday of Mr. William Gordon Gill, at the age of 72. Mr. Gill, who died at Hampshire's Buildings, was the son of the late Mr. Thomas Gill of the Barbadoes, West Indies.

There was a record attendance at the Grand Carnival Dance last Saturday evening. Unfortunately many of the members were disappointed at the non-attendance of the Brunswick orchestra but the navy stepped into the breach with the H.M.S. "Titania" orchestra which hurried from another engagement and played from 12 to 2. It is hoped to repeat the dance at an early date with the attendance of the same band whose excellent qualities are well known. The lighting and decoration were under the management of Messrs. Jacobs, Driscoll and Kelly and the prizes were distributed by Mr. Geo. J. L. Youngs, not out.

The prizes were awarded as follows: 1st Ladies' Mrs. Vant, 2nd Mrs. 1st Gents' Mr. J. Dewar, 2nd Gents' Mr. Carter, 3rd Gents' Mr. Spedbury, 4th Gents' Mr. Spedbury, 5th Gents' Mr. Spedbury, 6th Gents' Mr. Spedbury, 7th Gents' Mr. Spedbury, 8th Gents' Mr. Spedbury, 9th Gents' Mr. Spedbury, 10th Gents' Mr. Spedbury.

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over.

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larly but there were two upsets
to form. On the rather hard going
times were not on the fast side.
Local Option returning a last
quarter of 28.3/5 seconds in his
exercise gallop. Racing honours
were fairly evenly distributed.

In spite of the fine weather the
attendance was below normal with
the result that both the "total"
and the cash sweep received less
patronage.

H.E. the Governor (the Hon.
Mr. Cecil Clementi, C.M.G.) was
an interested spectator but Sir
Clair Severn did not have the
pleasure of leading in either of the
ponies run in Lady Severn's name.
The Cash Sweep results are
given below, drawers of unplaced
starters getting \$50 each:—

Race I.

No. 137 \$1,485.10
" 382 424.60
" 485 212.30
Unplaced, Nos. 138, 380.

Race II.

No. 527 \$1,645.70
" 46 470.20
" 287 235.10
Unplaced, Nos. 470, 289, 567,
558, 208.

Race III.

No. 221 \$2,107.00
" 534 602.00
" 49 301.00
Unplaced, No. 108.

Race IV.

No. 390 \$7,380.00
" 817 \$2,515.80
" 608 718.80
" 86 359.40
Unplaced, Nos. 443, 688, 592.

Race V.

No. 772 \$2,374.40
" 176 678.40
" 533 339.20
Unplaced, Nos. 148, 188.

Race VI.

No. 636 \$2,475.20
" 591 707.20
" 510 363.80
Unplaced, Nos. 670, 543.

Racing results follow:—

1. — SHAKUWAN STAKES:
FIVE FURLONGS.—For China
Ponies that have started at any
two extra meetings in Hong-
kong this year. (W.L.) Win-
ners of a race since January 1,
1925, barred. Unplaced starters
in Hongkong this year allowed
5 lbs. Jockey Allowance. En-
trance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$300.
2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize:
\$100.

Mr. Roda's Persian Parrot,
143 lbs. ... (Mr. da Roza) 1
Mr. Jonathan's Solly, 155 lbs. ... (Mr. Doyle) 2
Lt.-Com. C. R. Thompson's
Hailsham, 155 lbs. (Owner) 3
Lt.-Com. C. R. Thompson's
Strathalan, 150 lbs. ... (Mr. Pollock) 4

Also ran: Uncle Tam (Mr.
Buck).
2 1/4 lengths, 1 length.
Time: 1:19.4/5.
Pari-Mutuel:—
Winner \$9.80
Place 1st 6.80
2nd 7.60

To begin with the public judged
form to a nicety, the five runners
finishing almost in the exact order
in which they had been placed.
Solly led after Colonel Hall Brut-
ton had got the field away at the
first attempt with Persian Parrot
last. At the entry into the
straight, Mr. da Roza had already
taken first place. He won comfort-
ably. There was a struggle for
place money. Solly kept Hall-
sham out by a length.

2. — SHEK-O HANDICAP: "B"
CLASS: ONE MILE.—For
China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5.
1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize:
\$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Mrs. R. M. Austin's Grey
Streak, 162 lbs. ... (Mr. Pollock) 1
Mr. Bartholomew's Nugget,
150 lbs. ... (Mr. Reedy) 2
Mr. Fate's Two Pairs, 168 lbs. ... (Mr. Davies) 3

Mr. Goodie's May Leaf,
147 lbs. ... (Mr. da Roza) 4
Also ran: Jambou, late Stunner
Dahlia (Mr. Doyle), Mowgli (Lt.-
Com. Thompson), Valiant, late
Valiant Dahlia (Mr. Brodie),
Tadworth (Mr. Nemaze).

1 length, neck.
Time: 2:11.3/5.
Pari-Mutuel:—
Winner \$11.50
Place 1st 6.90
2nd 23.70
3rd 16.00

Jambou took the lead on the
rails to an excellent start followed
closely by Grey Streak with the
others bunched up. At the 5 furlong
post May Leaf improved his
position and Jambou began to

back. Up to the straight Grey
Streak held the lead and was
never headed although hotly pur-
sued. Two Pairs was on the
rails but Nugget was nicely ridden
to beat him for second place.
Jambou and Grey Streak were
about equal favourites with little
demand for any of the other six.

3. — SHEK-O HANDICAP: "A"
CLASS: ONE MILE.—For
China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5.
1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize:
\$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's
Saligia, 161 lbs. ... (Mr. Pollock) 1
Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's
Chicago, 159 lbs. ... (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 2

Messrs. Dyer and Beith's
Rothesay, 155 lbs. ... (Mr. Reedy) 3
Mr. Bagram's Gyp, 154 lbs. ... (Mr. Brodie) 4

Many lengths, 4 lengths.
Time: 2:07.4/5.
Pari-Mutuel:—
Winner \$7.10
Place 1st 5.60
2nd 6.80

Made a hot favourite, Saligia
justified expectations, being in
front from the fall of the flag to
the winning post. Chicago, Gyp
and Rothesay ran in the order
named. At the 5 furlong post
Rothesay was second but Chicago
followed Saligia into the straight.
Rothesay beat Gyp in the last
100 yards for third place.

4. — FIFTH AGGREGATE
STAKES.—Value \$500. Dis-
tance—One Mile. For all China
Ponies. Catch weights at 10 st.
6 lb. Winners of an open race
or open Griffin race Value \$800
or over or Ponies that have won
the aggregate prize in the
Gymkhana Stakes or Aggre-
gate Stakes in any season 5 lb.
extra. Non-winning Subscrip-
tion Griffins allowed 5 lb.

A Cup to be run for five times,
or as decided by the Committee,
called the Aggregate Cup, will
be presented at the end of the
Season to be won by the Pony
scoring most marks in the races
for the Aggregate Stakes at the
Extra Meetings during the
Season, counting 4 points for a
first; 2 for a second; and 1 for
a third.

[Note: Grey Morn has already
won the Cup with 12 marks.]
Mr. B. D. F. Beith's Local Option
151 lbs. (Mr. Pollock), walked-
over.

Time: 2:13.4/5 (last quarter
28.3/5).

Of the eight entries in this
race, two had started before it
was run, three went out for the
6th event, one for the 8th and one
for the 7th, leaving Local Option
by himself. He had to run round
for the walk-over. The first three
furlongs were done in a canter.
Warming up, Local Option finish-
ed in 2:13.4/5 of which the last
quarter was in the very fast time
of 28.3/5.

5. — STANLEY PLATE: SIX
FURLONGS.—For China
Ponies, Griffins of this year.
(W.L.) Winners of two races
5 lbs. penalty; of three or more
races 10 lbs. penalty. Subscrip-
tion Griffins of this year allowed
5 lbs. Unplaced ponies allowed
5 lbs. Jockey allowance. En-
trance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400.
2nd Prize: \$150. 3rd Prize:
\$100.

Mr. Roda's Arabian Parrot,
145 lbs. ... (Mr. da Roza) 1
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's
Blotting Paper, 160 lbs. ... (Lt.-Com. Thompson) 2

Mr. Dynasty's King of the
Plains, 166 lbs. ... (Mr. Davies) 3
Mr. H. P. White's Saracen,
158 lbs. ... (Mr. Brodie) 4

Also ran: King Emperor (Cap-
tain Oxspring), Nugget (Mr.
Reedy).

3 lengths, 1/2 length.
Time: 1:33.2/5.
Pari-Mutuel:—
Winner \$54.50
Place 1st 7.50
2nd 5.60
3rd 5.80

Blotting Paper was favourite,
with King of the Plains in close
demand; and Saracen third.
Arabian Parrot, the fourth
fancied, won in convincing style.
King of the Plains shot out at the
start being partnered by the win-
ner, Nugget ran last. Up the
incline, the Parrot was first,
followed by the two Kings and
Blotting Paper, who made up
ground by a strong burst round-
ing the bend. King of the
Plains, Blotting Paper and
Saracen battled it out from the
distance post with the others
straggled out.

6. — SHATTIN HANDICAP: ONE
AND A QUARTER MILES.—For
China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5.
1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize:
\$150. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Mr. Dynasty's Spotted Sand,
148 lbs. ... (Mr. Davies) 1
Sir Paul's Beauty Dahlia,
150 lbs. ... (Mr. Brodie) 2

Mrs. R. M. Austin's Grey
Knight, 160 lbs. ... (Mr. Pollock) 3
Mr. Ralston's Uncle Chick (late
Golden Chrysanthemum),
161 lbs. ... (Mr. Doyle) 4

Also ran: Curiosity Shop (Mr.
Nemaze).

1 1/2 lengths, many lengths.
Time: 2:42.2/5.
Pari-Mutuel:—
Winner \$34.70
Place 1st 14.20
2nd 12.70

This was the most open race of
the meeting. Beauty Dahlia and
Spotted Sand made all the running,
leaving the better-fancied Uncle
Chick and Grey Knight too far
behind to catch up. Spotted Sand
was second until the Rock, where
he passed Beauty Dahlia. These
two fought out a strong finish but
Spotted Sand's old gameness won
him the race. Grey Streak was
third and began to creep up at the
foot of the incline but was never
on striking terms. Uncle Chick
was last most of the way and
finished a very bad fourth.

Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch
Rannoch, 152 lbs. ... (Mr. Reedy) 1
Mr. Roda's Persian Parrot,
151 lbs. ... (Mr. da Roza) 2
Mr. W. T. Stanton's Beldorney
Star, 152 lbs. ... (Owner) 3
Mr. Goodie's May Leaf,
156 lbs. (Captain Oxspring) 4

Also ran: Uncle Alf, late Prim-
rose Leaf (Mr. Buck).
1 1/2 lengths, 1 length.
Time: 2:44.4/5.
Pari-Mutuel:—
Winner \$9.80
Place 1st 6.00
2nd 7.00

Here again punters showed
nice judgment. Mr. Reedy was
content with last place until the
last quarter of a mile. He then
took Loch Rannoch up steadily
and the race was his at the dis-
tance post. Persian Parrot was
first away with Beldorney Star
second. Rounding the post the
first time, the Parrot and May
Leaf led in company with the Star
lying handy. Up towards the
Rock, the order was still Persian
Parrot, May Leaf and Beldorney
Star but the last named dropped
back at the home bend.

7. — SHATTIN HANDICAP: ONE
AND A QUARTER MILES.—For
China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5.
1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200.
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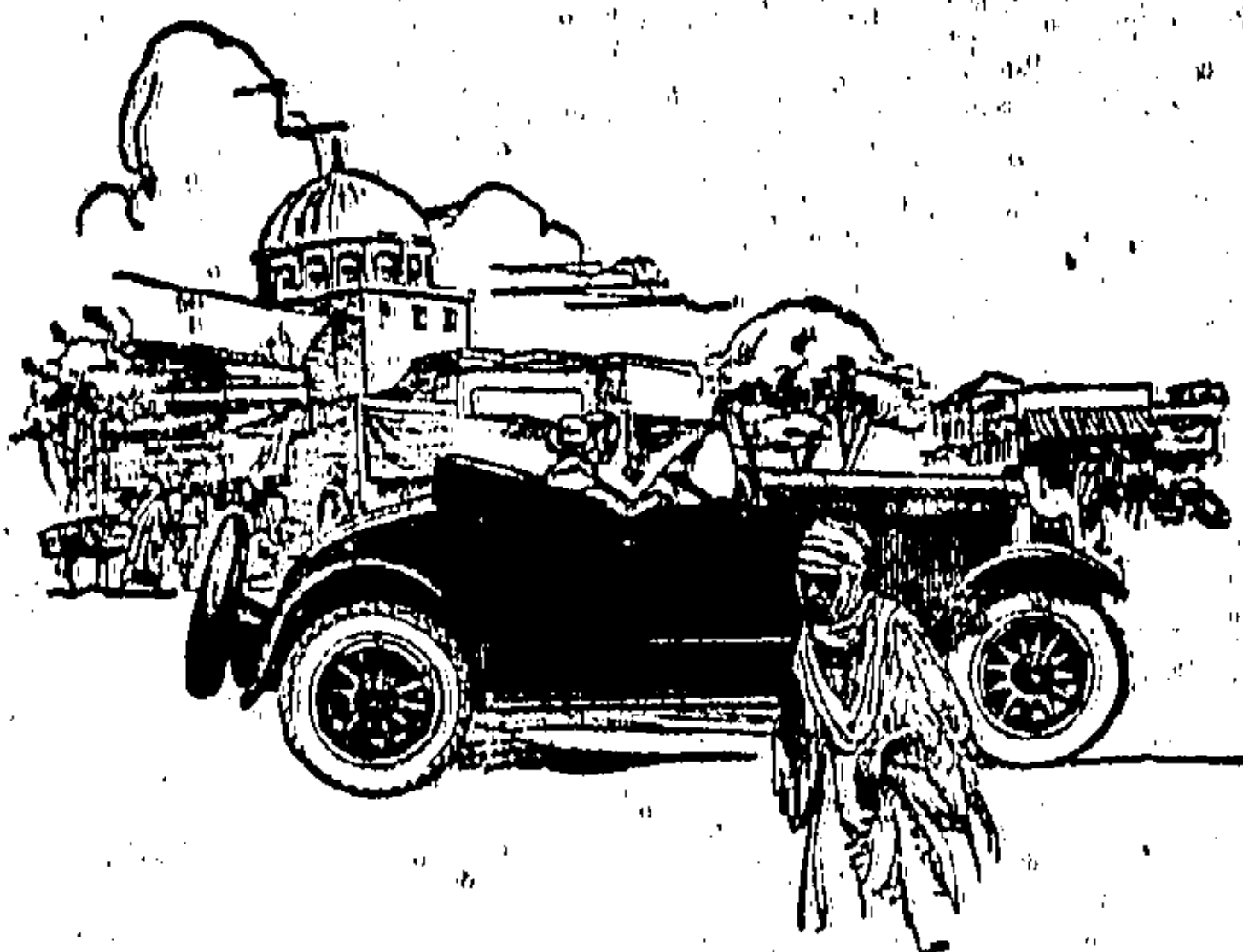
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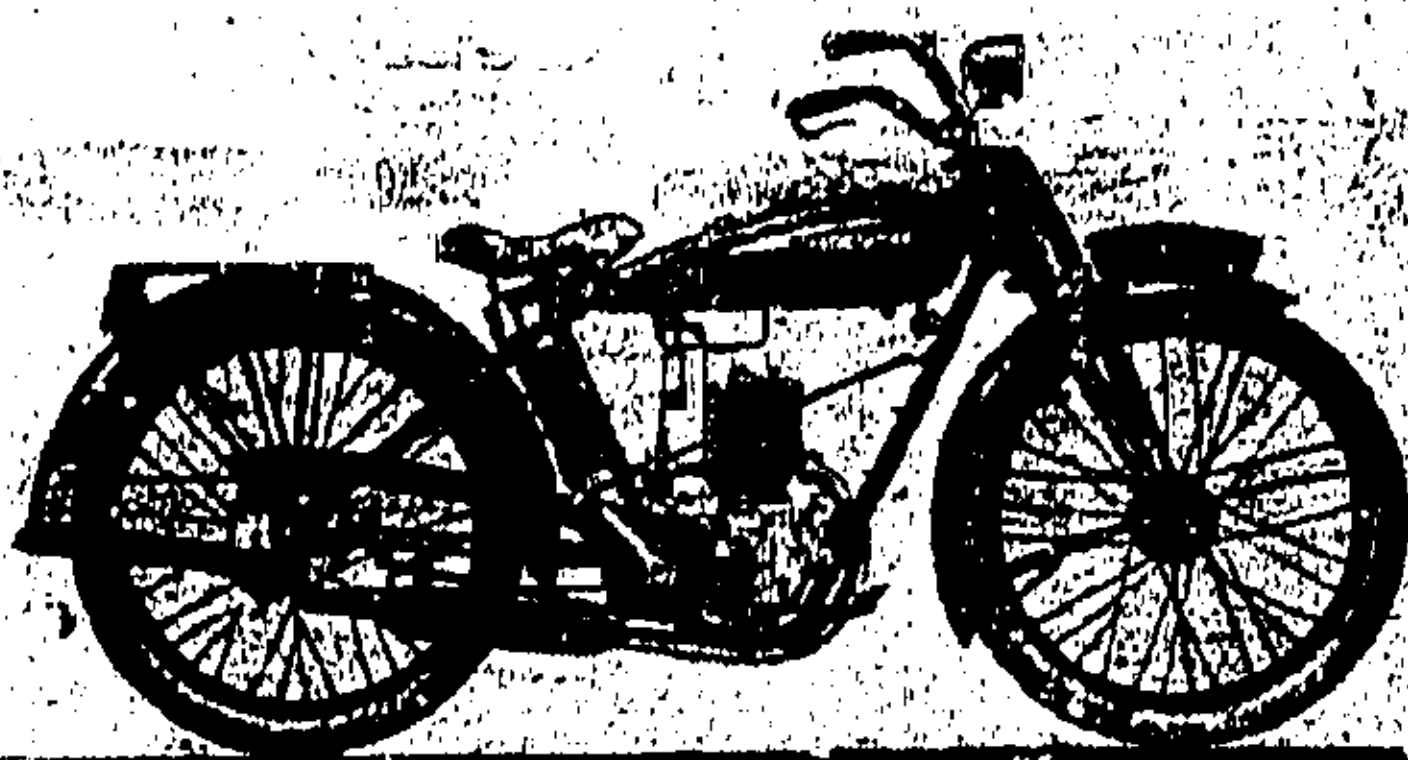
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Two cases of cerebro-spinal fever were reported on Friday, one was an imported case (Italian) and the other a Chinese case.

The new or "reconstructed" cars of the Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd., are a decided improvement. They give more seating capacity and the first-class passenger has been studied as never before. These cars should become very popular.

A publisher suggested to a Scottish author that he should compile a Scottish "Who's Who." The Scottish author said he would consider the suggestion. After he had done his considering, he reported as follows to the publisher: "I've gone carefully over the latest volume of the existing 'Who's Who,' and I find that, with a few minor eliminations, it will make the 'Who's Who'."

Messrs. Vemon and Smyth, in their Share report dated November 6, say:—

Since our report of the 30th ult., it will be noticed that, when there are changes in prices, whether buyers or sellers, these prices have had a downward tendency and very little business has been put through, in fact only three stocks show a slight advance, but business has been slow all round.

The greater portion of rates quoted are nominal, with an all round capital depreciation of approximately 40 per cent. since the beginning of the boycott and strike, and even these are not considered rock bottom prices, with the result that enquiry is conspicuous by its absence and the market is daily becoming weaker, with sellers anxious to accept reasonable prices for shares that can be obtained for them.

So far as the Local Share Market is concerned there is still a deplorable lack of credit and with conditions generally as they are in China to-day, which show no signs of improvement, this state of the market will continue until confidence is restored.

Christchurch and Bournemouth Guardians have in hand £18,000 and no cases of relief due to unemployment.

The Law Society exercises control over something like 10,000 out of 15,000 members of the profession practising in England and Wales. Just as the Bar Council holds sway over the professional affairs of barristers, so does the Law Society preside over the affairs of our solicitors—controlling admission to the profession, examining candidates, stabilising fees for services, and scrutinising legislation of all kinds. In the latter capacity, it does great service to the general public.

In 1913, at a great celebration in honour of George Borrow, the Borrow Museum was presented to the city of Norwich. Civic representatives declared on that occasion their pride in accepting the gift and, in lofty terms, announced their intention to preserve it with affectionate care. But the Borrow Museum has been closed now for some months. It is explained that rain is coming through the roof and that the City Council cannot afford to do the necessary repairs. This was the house in which Borrow lived as a young man. But Norwich does not appear to care very much.

A lead to Britain and the Empire in fostering the British film industry has been given by the Victoria Legislative Council, Australia, which has passed a clause in a Bill laying down that: Not less than 1,000ft. of British film must be shown in every programme. This provision will be enforced next June. It was inserted in the Censorship of Films Bill, which, says a Reuter Melbourne despatch, came up for the third reading in Parliament on September 30. This action, which will be supported by the British public as a contrast to the surfeit of United States and other foreign films in our cinemas, draws attention once more to the necessity of some similar measures in Great Britain.

Five rare macaques have arrived at the Zoo. They are sooty-coloured monkeys with very tiny tails, but although this branch of the macaque family is not represented in the menagerie at present, probably only two of them will be kept. The favoured pair have not yet been chosen, and in the meantime the five of them are doing their best to be amiable and ingratiating. In the hope that they will become too popular to be sent elsewhere. Other new arrivals include a large entellus monkey and a most attractive squirrel that has not yet been classified.

The condition of the Irish pig trade is described as the worst for 30 years. The Irish pig is being driven from the British markets, mainly owing to the competition of the Danes. Before the World War Ireland had 976,000 pigs while Denmark had 600,000. Now, Mr. MacKenna, a member of the Dail, estimates Denmark has 1,800,000 pigs and the Irish figures have declined. He also attributes the Irish decline to the high cost of feeding stuffs, to the partial failure of last year's potato crop, and to a more or less widespread disinclination to enter the pig trade.

Opium seized by the Bureau of Customs in the second quarter of 1925 was more than 300 per cent. greater than that of the corresponding period of 1924 in Manila, according to Captain Borromeo, of the constabulary, who is chief of the secret service department of the customs. Seizures this year amounted to 199½ kilograms, while in 1924 only 69 kilograms were captured. The seizures included both crude and prepared opium. The value of the opium seized this year is approximately \$50,000 (G.). Forty-two persons were arrested in connection with opium importations, of whom thirty-eight were convicted. Opium valued at \$500,000 was recently burned by the Government. All of it had been seized.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. W. F. Pittendrigh is a passenger on the "President Lincoln" which left on Saturday.

Dr. Wagner, of the German Consular service, and Mrs. Wagner arrived yesterday by the s.s. "Saarbrücken."

The many friends of Mr. James Oxberry, of the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, will be sorry to learn that he is very ill in the French Hospital.

The name of Mr. G. W. Sellers, C.A., of Messrs. McKinnon, Mackenzie & Co., has been added to the list of qualified auditors under the Companies Ordinance.

Messrs. Yu Teh-su and T. Y. Cheng were, with representatives of important British business interests and the Agents-General of five States within the Empire, present at the thirteenth trade dinner of the Old Colony Club, to hear an address by Sir Charles Higham on "Should the British Government spend £1,000,000 on Advertising?"

At the annual general meeting of the St. Andrew's Society of Kobe, held on October 22, the following officers for the ensuing year were elected:—Mr. W. McLean, President; Mr. A. D. Macdougall, Vice-President; and Messrs. W. A. Campbell, W. Graham, A. C. Macpherson, J. W. Ritchie, D. S. G. Shirras and A. E. Smith, Committee.

C. O. Pett, of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, and C. O. Stevens, of the Singapore Fire Brigade, have been appointed by the Council of the Fire Engineers to supervise examinations abroad. At the meeting last month C. O. Pett thought that more attention should be paid to building construction in future examination papers. The President agreed, and it is understood the matter will have attention.

The following appointments have recently been made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—Lieut. E. C. Chitty, M.B., Ch.B., M.C., Medical Officer, Malay States; Lieut. G. D. Gordon, M.B., Ch.B., M.C., M.A., Medical Officer, Malay States; Mr. R. T. B. Green, M.B., Medical Officer, Malay States; Mr. D. W. G. Faria, M.B., Ch.B., M.C., Medical Officer, Malay States; Mr. A. B. Walton, B.Sc., Assistant Conservator of Forests, Malay States.

Mr. R. T. Peyton-Griffin, formerly of Hongkong, has rejoined the editorial staff of the "North-China Daily News."

The late Mr. Nathaniel Ferdinand Smith (86), of Parkgate, Regate, and formerly of Yokohama, left £20,176.

Leopold Godowsky, the famous pianist who visited Hongkong, has completed a Java Suite, the result of a year spent in the Far East principally in Java.

Warrant Telegraphist T. F. Perrow, after being posted to the "Tamar" at Hongkong, will take charge of the Wireless Station at Seletar, Singapore. Mr. Perrow served afloat and ashore during the late war.

Bishop Matoda, of Tokyo, who has a fine command of English, and is a most engaging and humorous speaker, was heard at the Church Congress at Eastbourne, on October 7, on the subject of "Self-Determination in Church Life."

The King has given authority for the wearing of the insignia of the following decorations:—Order of the Rising Sun: Fourth Class—Mr. John Nicholson Seymour; Order of the Crown of Siam: Third Class—Mr. Walcott Warner Shand, Inspector of Mines under the Siamese Government.



His Majesty the King, with the Duke of York and the Duke of Gloucester, at the Eastbourne Congress, on October 7.

Sir Frederick Lugard, a former Governor of Hongkong, spoke at the Church Congress at Eastbourne, on October 8, on "Our Trusteeship for other Races."

The King has appointed the following:—H. F. Handley-Derry, Esq., to be one of His Majesty's Consuls in China and W. S. Toller, Esq., to be one of His Majesty's Vice-Consuls in China (July 1).

The screen version of "The Third Round" (a Bull-Dog Drummond book) will, when released, be a great success. Part of it was done on Signor Marconi's private yacht off Weymouth, the author being a friend of the famous Italian. All those concerned in the episode spent a very jolly Sunday on board and were right royally entertained. Signor Marconi spends the greater part of his life on this yacht, which by the way is manned entirely by Italians. In cruising about from port to port most of his experiments are made on the yacht, or from it, and of course it is fitted up for his purpose with all the latest devices. He invites his friends to stay with him and gives them a splendid time. He is indeed an ideal host.

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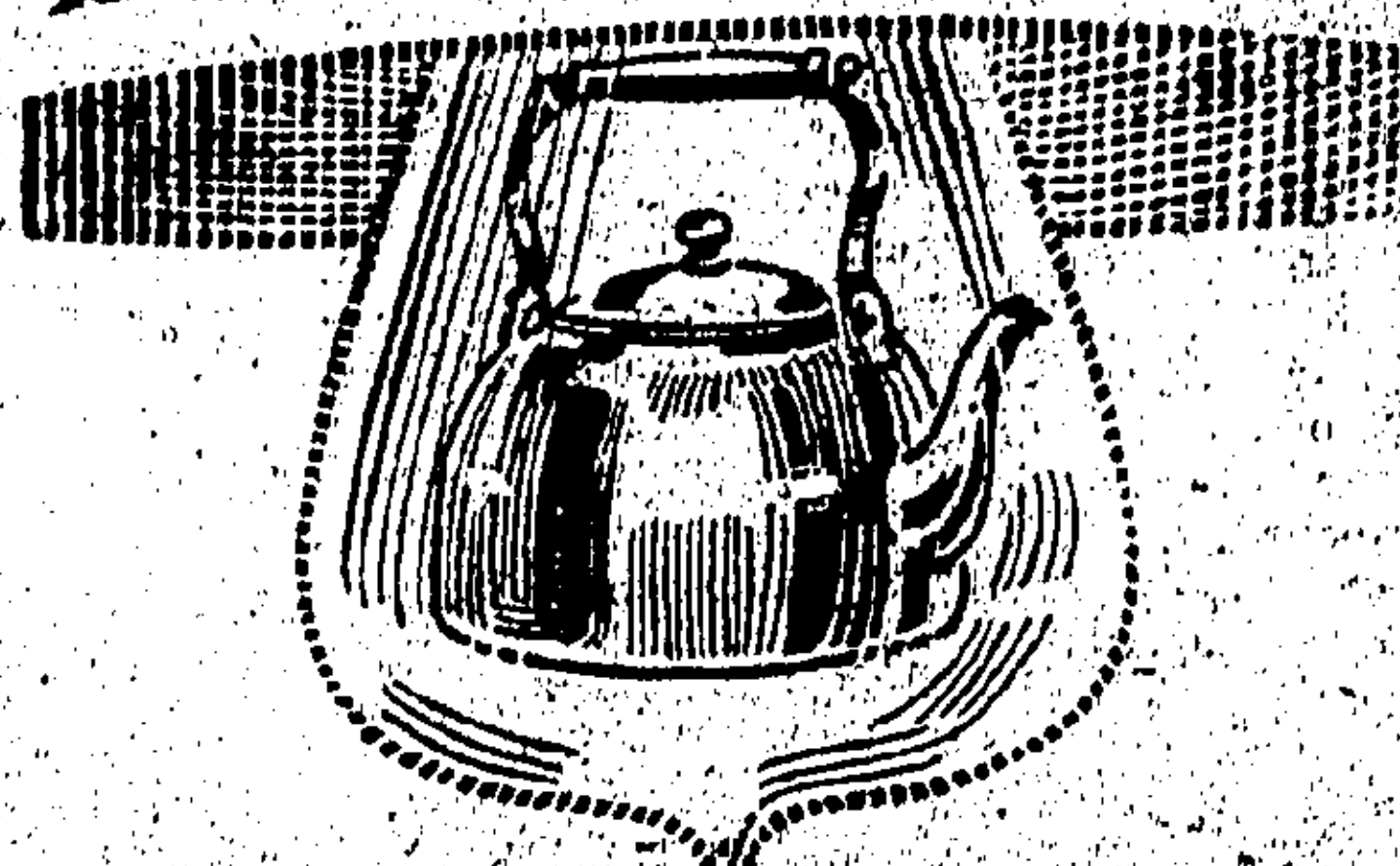
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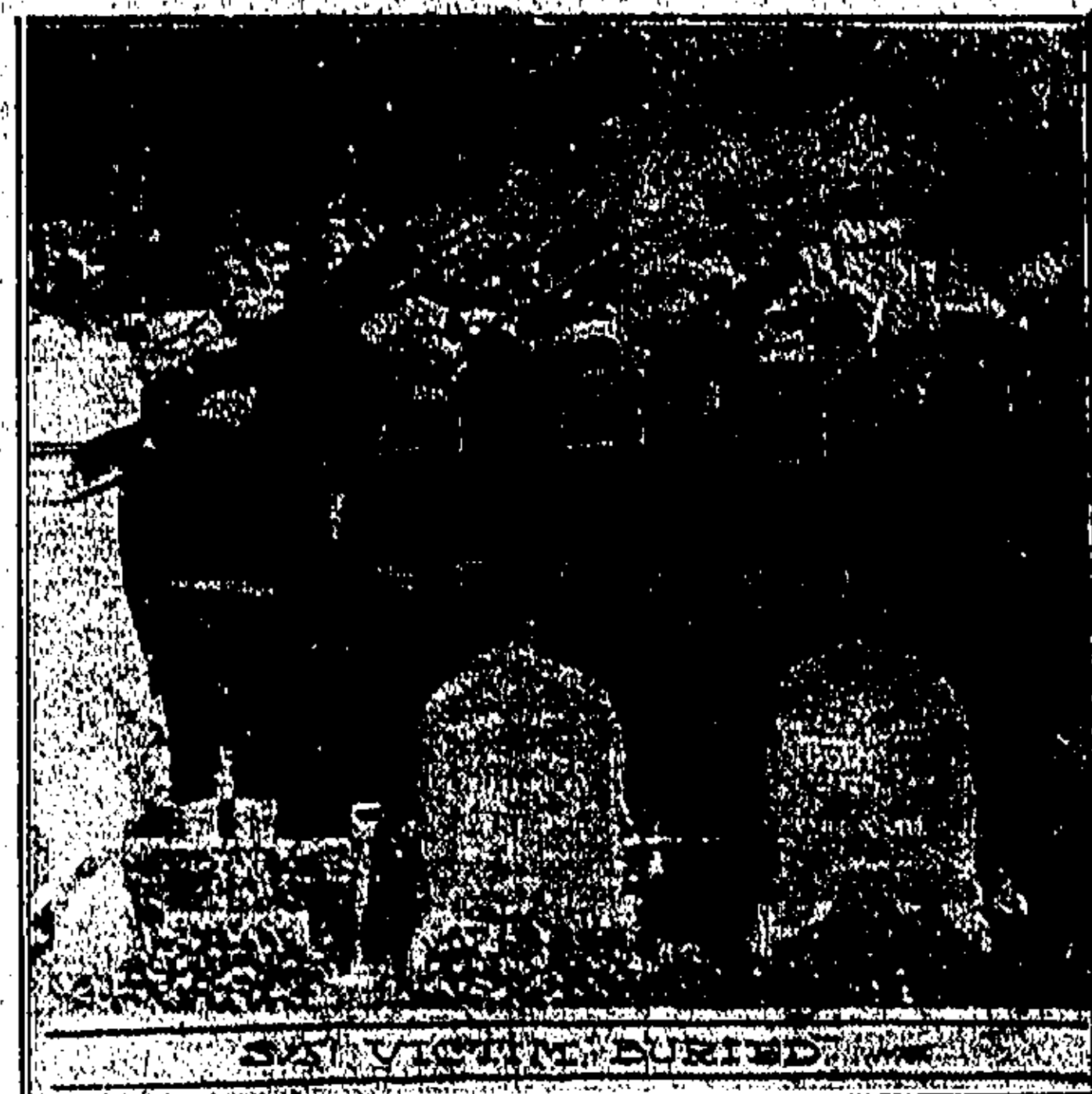
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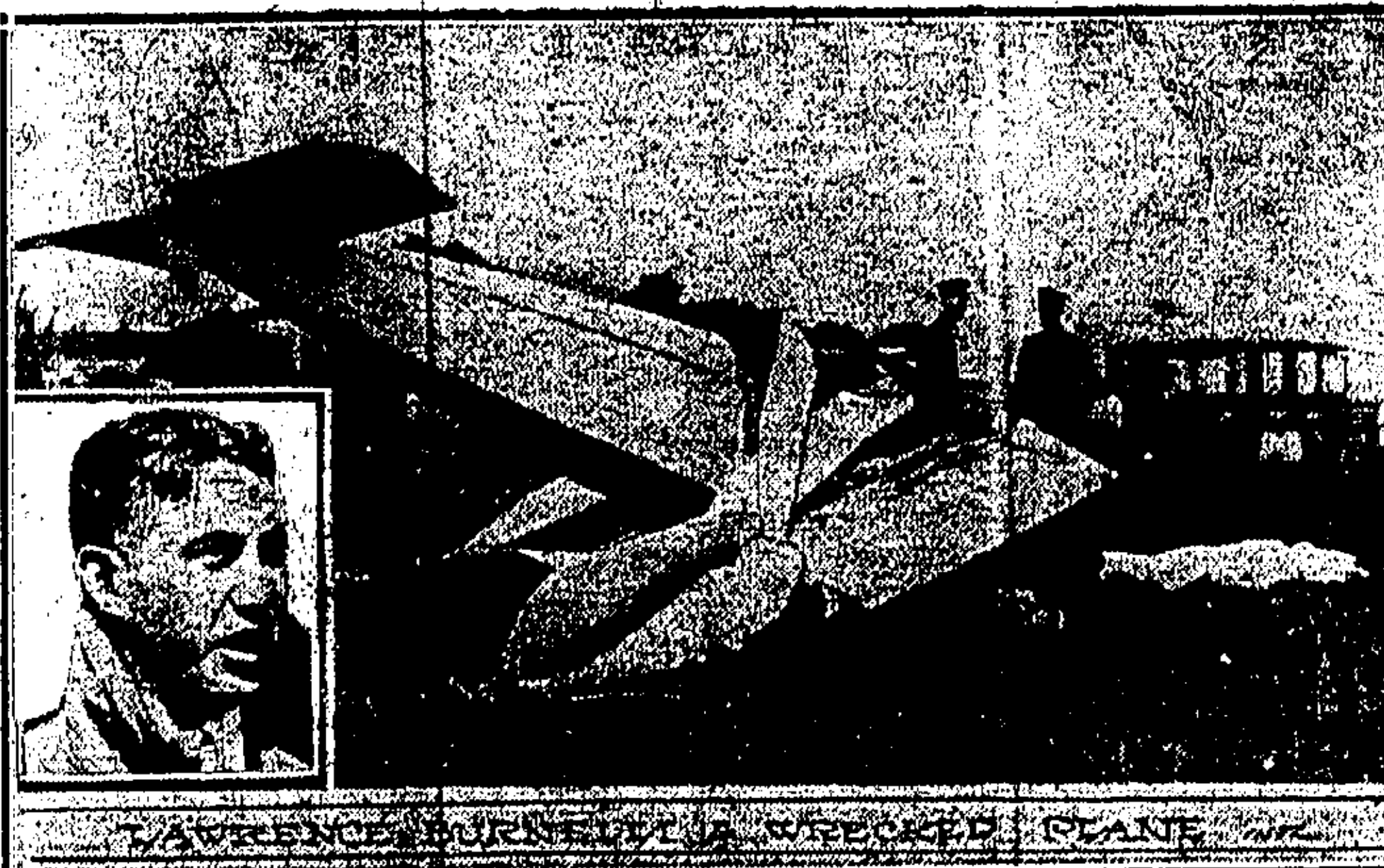
Louise Brooks, Broadway beauty, is in the limelight through the reported friendly attentions showered on her by Charlie Chaplin.



Over the body of William Tetschenmacher, 13, in a Brooklyn, N.Y., cemetery, a final tribute was paid by sailors and marines. He perished with his twin brother when the S-51 was rammed and sunk by the "City of Rome" off Block Island.



Theresa, wife of Prince Ernest Heinrich, of Saxony, is reported as happy as in the old days when her father-in-law was king of Saxony.



The first event in the international air races sent Harry Burnell, civilian aviator, to his death. His plane crashed just outside the aerodrome and he was picked up dead. The machine was wrecked.



Karl Eldh, the noted Swedish sculptor.



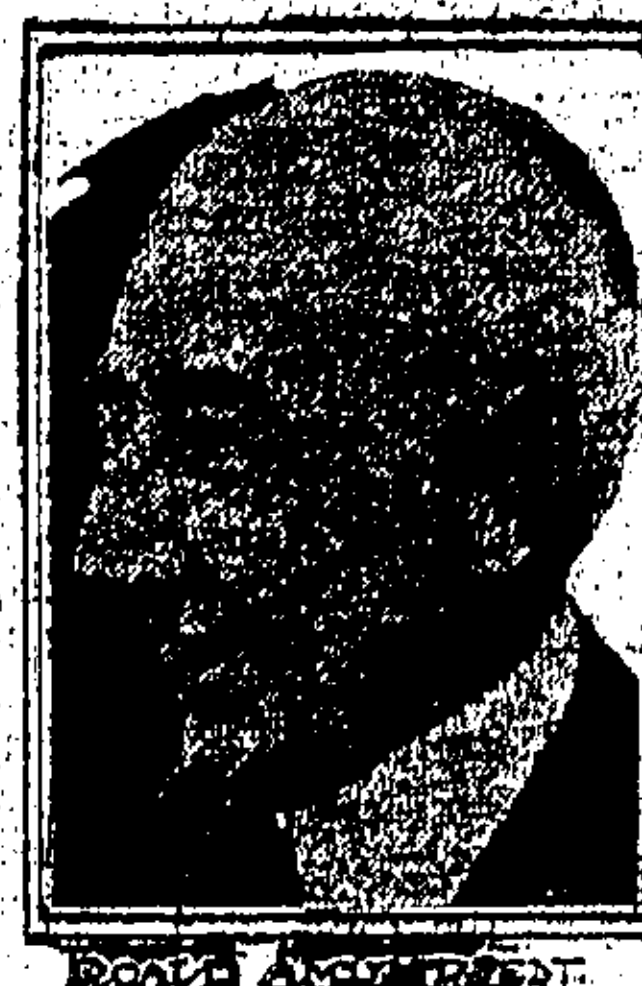
An Inspector of Fisheries holding the baby 'White' and the MacMillan party captured during its stay in the far North.



C. D. Chamberlain suffered only a broken neck when the racing plane in the opening contest of the international races crashed at terrific speed killing the pilot, Lawrence Brindell.



The Duchess of Atholl, is the first woman ever to sit in the Conservative Government. Anne G. Nilsson, the film actress is seeking divorce. "Casey" Jones, the flier, won the free-for-all race in the international contests. Roald Amundsen, intrepid explorer.



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Mainland.	
Tai-mo-shan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971

PRESS GANGS.
NORTHERN CHINESE
SEIZED.
(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, Nov. 7.
Press gangs are reported to be operating in every part of the war region. Messages from Tsing-tao instance the Peking, imprisonment of rich and coolies and other unfortunates, but judging by a Shanghai report Chekiang recruiting officers are believed to be able to claim to have broken the record by a "haul" they made on Thursday night when nearly 500 poorer class Chinese intensely gazing at a huge fire in the Chinese City were suddenly pounced upon and taken, bound and wailing appealingly.
The authorities said they adopted this effective method to secure coolies. Plain clothes officers are detailed to raise an alarm or commotion in order to attract the unemployed to a particular spot. A crowd soon grows, and without warning, officers dive amongst the onlookers and secure their victims.

MANILA "STUNT."
(Reuter's Service.)

Manila, November 7.
The Senate has unanimously passed a Bill for a plebiscite on the independence question.
The House of Representatives is expected to pass the Bill also.
Governor-General Wood is not making any statement but it is believed he will veto the Bill on the grounds that only a sovereign power can order a plebiscite.
Failing that Mr. Ben F. Wright, the Insular Auditor, will probably refuse to authorize the use of Government funds to hold it.
Mr. Manuel Quezon, the independence leader, realizes this, and is using the Bill for publicity purposes here and in the United States. If the Bill is vetoed he can call Governor-General Wood "imperialistic."
Governor-General Wood signed the appropriation bill after a compromise with the legislature retaining thirteen American experts in the bureau, ousting six after six months.
The legislature desired to oust them all.

FIGHTING OVER.
(Reuter's Service.)

Marseilles, Nov. 7.
Marshal Petain has arrived here from Morocco. He declared that Abdel Krim is completely surrounded and is no longer to be feared.
Petain said the military operations had finished and he had handed over matters to the politicians.

NAVY POSTS.
(Reuter's Service.)

London, Nov. 7.
Admiral Sir Osmond Brock has been appointed to succeed Sir Sydney Frensham in the Portsmouth Command.

Vice Admiral Sir Osmond Brock, R.N., K.C.B., has been Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Station since 1922. Appointed Assistant Director of Naval Mobilisation in 1910, he became A.D.C. to the King in 1913, and was appointed Rear Admiral in 1915. Sir Osmond served in naval engagements in the North Sea, 1914-1915, being mentioned in despatches and awarded a C.B. For his part in the Battle of Jutland in 1916 he was given a C.M.G. and again mentioned in despatches. He was a Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty from 1921 until he took over the Mediterranean Station command.

Admiral Sir Sydney Robert Frensham, R.N., K.C.B., has been Commander-in-Chief of the Portsmouth Station since April of 1923. Coming of a distinguished naval family he entered the Navy in 1841, rising to Vice Admiral in 1910 and Admiral in 1922. He served at the Dardanelles in 1915, being mentioned in despatches, commanded the 9th Cruiser Squadron in 1916, the 2nd Cruiser Squadron in 1917 and the Aegean Squadron in 1918. He was Deputy Chief of the Naval Staff from 1918 to 1919, and Vice Admiral commanding the First Battle Squadron from 1919 to 1921. Admiral Frensham holds several foreign decorations, including the 2nd class Order of the Rising Sun of Japan, and has written papers on nautical matters. He is a keen sportsman, golf, lawn tennis and shooting being his favourite recreations.

"BLACK" THREAT.
(Reuter's Service.)

Brisbane, Nov. 7.
The Government has rescinded the suspension of the railwaymen on the railwaymen withdrawing their threat to declare certain sections of the railway system "black" and promising, henceforth to obey the Railway Commissioner's instructions.
A general strike has thus been averted.

Friday cables from Brisbane stated that farmers at mid-night loaded seven hundred tons of sugar on a steamer at Port Hardy. At Bowen twelve railwaymen were suspended for refusing to handle trucks containing coal for Port Hardy.

EDITOR JAILED.
(Reuter's Service.)

London, November 7.
The "Daily Herald's" Brussels correspondent states that the arrested Communist is Palme Dutt, editor of a London labour publication, and a member of the Communist Executive.

The alleged incriminating documents emanated from Moscow and include appeals to revolt addressed to the British Army and Navy and to the native populations of the British Empire.

According to an earlier cable, a man alleged to be a British Communist and a woman companion have been arrested and imprisoned at Brussels. A quantity of documents written in German, Russian, Chinese, and Hindustani were discovered.

UNTRUE REPORT.
(Reuter's Service.)

Peking Nov. 7.
With reference to the report from a Chinese source published in this morning's papers to the effect that Sir Ernest Wilson has resigned from the Salt Gabelle, Reuter is authoritatively informed that Sir Ernest Wilson proposes to go to England at the expiration of his agreement with the Chinese Government at the beginning of 1926.

Sir Ernest C. C. Wilton, K.C.M.G., succeeded Sir Reginald Gubbie in 1923 as Associate Chief Inspector and Adviser to the Central Salt Administration. Sir Ernest was formerly a member of H.B.M. Consular Service in China, also Minister to the Baltic States.

MANILA OFFICIALS.
(Reuter's Service.)

Manila, November 7.
Vicente Carmona, the Insular Treasurer, and nine others have been acquitted of a gambling charge by a Filipino judge.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.
(Reuter's Service.)

Manila, November 7.
The Board of Medical Examiners has ruled that the practice of Christian Science is illegal.

The Craigengower Cricket Club held their second subscription dance of the season on Saturday night. As on the last occasion, the dance was well supported, and members and their friends had an enjoyable time until a late hour.

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